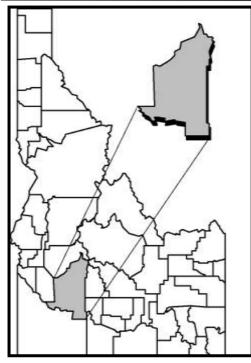
# County Seat: Mountain Home



## I. People

## Population

	1980	1990	2000	2006
Total	21,565	21,205	29,130	28,114
Per Sq. Mile	7.0	6.9	9.5	9.1
Percent Rural	35.3	34.7	23.4	
Percent Urban	64.7	65.3	76.6	
	70-80	80-90	90-00	00-06
Population Change (%)	23.40	-1.7	37.4	-3.5

## Demographic Component Changes

	1970-1980	1980-1990	1990-2000	2000-2006
Births	5,300	5,393	4,822	3,706
Deaths	900	1,077	1,356	1,068
Net Migration	-300	-4,677	4,459	-3,357
Percent Migration	-1.6	-21.7	21.0	-11.5
	1980	1990	2000	2006
Birth Rate	25.9	22.4	18.1	18.4
Fertility Rate	116.7	98.1	81.6	92.5
Median Age	23.9	27.7	29.1	32
Under 18 Years (%)	32.2	31.5	28.0	27.5
18 to 64 Years (%)	62.5	61.0	64.9	64.3
65+ Years (%)	5.3	7.5	7.1	8.1
Persons Per Household	2.92	2.81	2.76	

### Geographic Mobility: 2000

Persons 5 Years and Older Living in a Different State in 1995 (%)	32.3
Persons 5 Years and Older Living in a Different County in 1995 (%)	39.8

# II. Housing

	1980	1990	2000
Housing Units			
Total	8,055	8,430	10,527
Mobile Homes, Boat, RV, Van, etc.	1,030	1,526	1,906
Overcrowded Units (1.5+ Persons Per Room)	80	69	174
Units Lacking Some or All Plumbing	120	137	30 *
Total Vacant Units	1,223	1,294	1,435
Household Composition (Household Size by %)			
1 to 2 Persons	47.2	50.8	52.8
3 to 5 Persons	47.8	45.1	42.6
6+ Persons	5.0	4.1	4.6
Tenure			
Owner Occupied Units	5,217	3,748	3,883
Renter Occupied Units	3,084	3,253	3,875
Value			
Median Housing Value	\$39,800	\$57,900	\$93,200
Median Rent	\$174	\$242	\$473
Plumbing Facilities			
Public Sewer	5,532	5,884	N.A.
Public Water System or Private Company	5,870	6,194	N.A.
Age of Housing Stock - Year Structures Built			
Number Built 1995 Through March 2000	1,593		
Number Built 1990 Through 1994	461		
Number Built 1980 Through 1989	1,210		
Number Built 1970 Through 1979	2,811		
Number Built 1960 Through 1969	1,800		
Number Built 1950 Through 1959	1,856		
Number Built 1949 or Earlier	796		

<sup>\*</sup> Category changed in Census 2000 to "Lacking Complete Plumbing Facilities"

II. Work Force					
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Total Employment	14,135	14,072	13,948	14,278	14,206
Employment by Type					
Wage and Salary Employment	11,720	11,640	11,414	11,690	11,450
Farm Proprietors	339	351	343	343	345
Non-Farm Proprietors	2,076	2,081	2,191	2,245	2,411
Employment by Industry					
Farming	1,025	1,050	1,002	1,014	976
Forestry	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mining	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utilities	(L)	13	14	13	20
Construction	555	538	564	546	607
Manufacturing	482	398	308	318	313
Wholesale Trade	126	129	127	139	159
Retail Trade	1,460	1,433	1,375	1,362	1,387
Transportation and Warehousing	249	235	236	270	285
Information	106	108	100	114	121
Finance and Insurance	260	288	295	305	296
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	322	289	325	332	399
Professional and Technical Services	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mgmt. of Companies and Enterprises	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Administrative Waste Services	305	311	373	379	399
Educational Services	154	147	150	146	133
Health Care and Social Assistance	469	605	605	624	651
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	85	76	84	81	92
Accomodation and Food Services	729	698	727	754	833
Other Services (Except Public Admin.)	540	550	574	576	577
Federal Civilian	1,149	1,152	1,162	1,062	957
Federal Military	4,410	4,334	4,212	4,487	4,180
State and Local Government	1,300	1,312	1,313	1,320	1,342

<sup>(</sup>D) = Not shown to avoid disclosure of confidential material

Employment: full- and part-time by place of work. Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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	2000	2002	2004	2006
Annual % Labor Force Unemployed	6.1	7.8	5.5	4.1
_	1970	1980	1990	2000
Percent Females (16+) in Labor Force	32.6	52.2	58.0	59.0

#### Local Government Revenues

## Travel and Convention Room Tax (2%)

	FY 2000	FY 2002	FY 2004	FY 2006
Total Sales	\$2,851,168	\$3,414,947	\$3,405,943	\$4,456,603
Tax Receipts	\$52,501	\$63,884	\$60,227	\$85,195
Property Taxes				
Net Taxable Market Value - 2006		\$1,060,057,439		
Property Taxes Budgeted - 2006		\$13,804,918		
Property Tax as a % of Market Valu	ıe - 2006 *			
Urban		1.80444		
Rural		0.91180		
* After homeowner exemption				

<sup>\*</sup> After homeowner exemption

#### Income

	1990	2000	2005
Per Capita Personal Income	\$17,137	\$20,142	\$25,786
Percent of National Average	88.0%	67.5%	74.8%
Percent of State Average	109.0%	83.7%	90.5%
Government Transfer Payments (in Thousands of Dollars)	\$28,348	\$56,920	\$87,639

### Business

	1990	2000	2005
Total Business Establishments	334	388	433

# V. Education and Social Indicators

## Education Funding Level Per ADA \* - 2005-06

School District	State Funds	Local and State Funds	All Funds
Glenns Ferry Jt District	\$5,337	\$6,903	\$9,374
Mountain Home District	\$4,249	\$5,309	\$7,796
Prairie Elementary District	\$33,067	\$34,453	\$32,143

#### **Education Level \***

	1980	1990	2000
Bachelor's Degree + (%)	13.5	15.8	17.3
High School Graduates + (%)	76.2	83.1	87.2

<sup>\*</sup> Population age 25 or over

### Average Monthly Fourth Quarter Welfare Roll

No.	of	Cases
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	2001	2006
Aid to Aged, Blind, Disable	131	133
Temporary Assistance for Families	30	36
Food Stamp Cases	369	557
Medicaid Cases	1,232	1,442

#### Percent Below Poverty

	1989	1999	2004
Families	9.0	10.7	
Persons	12.7	11.2	11.8

<sup>\*</sup> Per ADA means per Average Daily Attendance

## Other Social Indicators - 2005

	County	State
Suicide Rate per 100,000	10.5	15.7
Marriage Rate per 1,000	9.8	10.4
Divorce Rate per 1,000	6.0	5.0

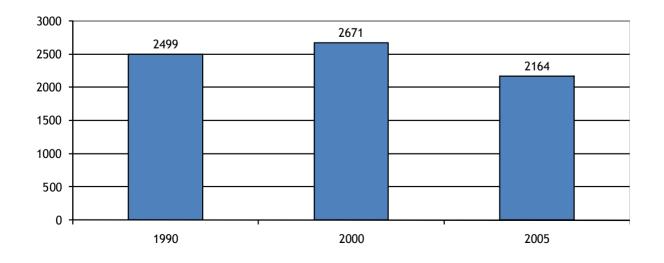
#### Health Care

	2007
Physicians per 100,000 (2004)	62
Number of Hospitals	1
Total Hospital Beds	25

## Crime - Number of Offenses

1990	2000	2005
1	1	1
1	7	7
1	7	2
28	76	66
102	144	94
382	489	419
13	50	46
2	4	6
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## Crime - Rate per 100,000

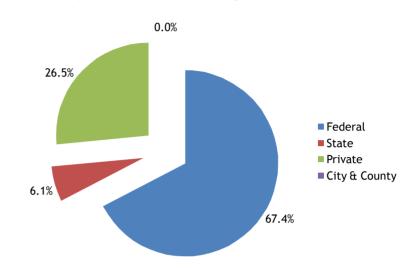


# VI. Natural Resources

### Land Ownership

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	Acres
Federal Land	1,327,041
BLM	529,233
National Forests	791,105
Other	6,703
State Land	120,355
Endowment Land	113,126
Fish and Game	6,716
Parks and Recreation	513
University of Idaho Land	0
Private Land	522,354
County Land	18
Municipal Land	24
Total	1,969,792

## Percent of Total Land Ownership



#### Land Use \*

	Acres	Percent of Total
Urban Land	12,000	0.6%
Agricultural	138,700	7.0%
Rangeland	1,299,300	65.9%
Forest	502,300	25.5%
Water	18,900	1.0%
Wetland	0	0.0%
Barren Land	0	0.0%
Tundra	0	0.0%
Perennial Snow	0	0.0%
Total	1,971,200	100.0%

<sup>\*</sup> USGS land use/cover classification system. The water category and the rounding and estimating of satellite-based data usually results in slightly higher totals for land use.

# VII. Agriculture

Inventory: Farms, Cropland, and Livestock	1992	1997	2002
Total Number, All Farms	285	301	364
Total Acres in Farms	353,528	355,590	346,034
Average Farm Size (Acres)	1240	1,181	951
Total Farms in Crops	237	242	236
Total Acres in Crops	111,390	126,529	124,114
Cattle and Calves Inventory	94,298	123,306	135,811
Number of Irrigated Farms	202	226	227
Number of Irrigated Acres	75,108	91,153	90,641
Farms by Size (Acres)			
Under 10	43	43	86
10 to 49	49	61	95
50 to 179	66	56	52
180 to 499	38	43	45
500 to 999	31	36	34
1,000 and Over	58	62	52
Value of Land and Buildings and Products			
Average Value of Land and Buildings Per Farm	\$561,410	\$681,544	\$676,926
Average Value of Land and Buildings Per Acre	\$444	\$626	\$719
Average Value Per Farm of Products Sold	\$930,231	\$731,298	\$804,545
Principal Occupation of Farm Operators			
Farming	173	171	202
Other	112	130	162

<sup>(</sup>D) = Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms

### VII. Miscellaneous

#### Motor Vehicles Registered

	1990	2000	2005
Cars and Pickups	18,685	22,909	22,876
Other	1,689	2,795	3,154
Total Vehicles Per Capita	0.96	0.88	0.88

#### Idaho Drivers Licenses in Force

	1990	2000	2006
Total Licenses	13,488	14,532	14,981

#### Top Place of Work Destinations for Workers in County (16 years and over) - 2000

		Total County Workers	12,449
Owyhee County	111	King County WA	28
Ada County	1,601	Gooding County	34
Elmore County	10,362	Canyon County	75

#### City Population Trends

	1970	1980	1990	2000	2006
Glenns Ferry	1,386	1,374	1,304	1,611	1,395
Mountain Home	6,451	7,540	7,913	11,143	11,656

Elmore County is located in southwestern Idaho. It ranks 12th among Idaho counties in population and 6th in area. The federal government owns over 67 percent of the county. The local economy relies heavily on the Mountain Home Air Force Base. Government is the largest source of employment, with trade, services, food processing and construction providing additional job opportunities. Annual average total civilian employment increased 27 percent from 1996 to 2006. Major employers include NAF Financial Management Branch, Best Western Foot Hills Motor Inn, City of Mountain Home, Mountain Home and Glenns Ferry school districts, Elmore Medical Center, Idaho Fresh-Pak Inc., Mountain Home Air Force Base, Three Springs Inc., Pioneer Federal Credit Union, Wal-Mart and Elmore County government.

The county is geographically diverse with arid high desert areas, lush fertile agricultural zones, and the rugged Sawtooth Mountains. Three Island Crossing near Glenns Ferry was an important spot on the Oregon Trail, as it was one of the few places wagons could ford the Snake River. A reenactment of the river crossing by pioneers is held annually in August. Three Island Crossing Interpretive Center at Glenns Ferry provides information on this historic site.

For more information about activities and recreation in the area, visit www.visitidaho.org/placestogo/southwestern.aspx

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